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Glee Club to Broadcast Personals

Those tuning in on KFRC sometime in the near future will be favored with a selection titled, "The Swallow," a cantata, consisting of solos, quartets, and choruses, composed by Otis M. Carrington, and sung by the S. F. T. C. Glee Club.

Miss Levy, the sponsor, is also trying to add some special selections to the program. If she is lucky, we will also hear Miss Murphy sing. Miss Clark will give a piano solo, and Miss Johansen will whistle.

Rehearsals started with 9 girls present, on Tuesday, September 28. Miss Levy was able to start four choruses.

Last year some of these songbirds sent forth their voices into Radioland; and, since the chance of singing again depends upon an invitation, it seems altogether likely that we shall hear their happy carroling another time this semester.

Costly Etching Loaned To Library

Miss McFadden, science instructor, has loaned to the Children's Library, a very fine old etching, "Sherman's March to the Sea," which is valued at three hundred dollars.

The deep ivory cast of the picture tells of its age; and a solid mahogany frame enhances its beauty.

An old officer who served under Sherman in the Civil War, originally owned the masterpiece, but it has now been left in Miss McFadden's care.

"The children will enjoy it, I know," says Mrs. Woods, the librarian, "for even if they cannot realize its worth, they will love it for the life and vitality it portrays."

Guild Booklets on Sale

Copies of the Guild Ritual are now on sale by Mrs. Mildred Holman Woods in the Children's Library. The books cost one dollar. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Student Body.

The classes of August 1924, January 1925, August 1926, and January 1926, having all seen the Giuld, will probably want this booklet for the beautiful illustrations and the Ritual. The paper and the type of print are of the very best.

Mrs. Woods will have the copies on sale from now until Christmas.

A sample copy can be seen at anytime on the desk in the Children's Library.

Annual Weenie Roast Date Set

Treasure Hunt Sunday

A Treasure Hunt will be the feature of the W. A. A. hike next Sunday, October 3—a treasure hunt with a treasure well worth searching for.

The main body of the hikers will leave on the 7:45 boat; the rest on the 8:15. Meet under the clock, as usual, with a round-trip ticket for Mill Valley (48c.)

Food is always an interesting consideration on these occasions. This week we plan to have a steak roast. If you wish your share of open-air broiled steak, give Lucille Savage or Frances Bramhall your 15 cents, and it will be taken care of for you. The hiking and health managers of the W. A. A. suggest that small lunches be brought; fruit and nuts and less heavy food.

About 10 or 12 miles will be covered, and will be recorded for W. A. A. points.

Dean's Office Changed

The exchange of offices between Miss Ward and Miss McFadden, just recently made, was brought about to draw closer together the administrative departments. With Miss Vance, Miss Crumpton and Miss Ward now occupying offices near that of Mr. Anderson, much time formerly wasted in inter-communication, will be saved.

To save the time of students who wait to see her on appointments, Miss Ward is planning a new device. Cards will be posted in the window of her new office. A student who is waiting will, in this way, be informed that she may study in the library until time for the interview.

New Gym Regulations Go Into Effect

Class attention—Halt! The new gymnasium suits will consist of black bloomers, a white middy, black shoes, and black stockings. There will be no ties; each article is to have the student's name on it.

The way the stockings are to be worn is a matter which will be up to each class. Most of the girls prefer rolled stockings.

Each girl must bring a clean towel. These will be checked on days of inspection.

Thursday, October 7, immediately after school the Student Body will embark on a special car, provided by the Market Street Railway Company, for Eucalyptus Grove, near Parkside, where an immense bonfire will be built in order that we may toast our rolls, and roast our weenies to taste.

Eucalyptus Grove is always sheltered in any kind of weather, and is near enough to the beach to make a pleasant little hike.

Supper, the most important and most enjoyed ritual of a picnic, will be held around the bonfire in the presence of the unseen "Spirits of Gaiety." Nostrils will be assailed by the aroma of roasting weenies and steaming coffee, mixed with the tang of salt air and burning firewood.

After the "aching void" has been filled, our dignities will be relaxed or forgotten, and we will proceed to pay homage to these "Spirits of Gaiety."

"Midge" Heany and Frances Bramhall, High Priestesses of the frolic, promise a great time, although it's too early for anything definite to have been decided in the way of entertainment.

Last year the grove echoed to the laughter and song of some 150 to 200 beings. Mr. Mundt played an important role in a stunt-play, and the W. A. A. put on a playlet titled "Sports—Past and Present."

At about 7:30 a special car will call to take us from the scene of our revelry. Those who cross the bay will be taken to the ferry.

Every one of the student body is expected. Come and bring weenies, or rolls, or lunches, or both. The student body furnishes the coffee.

Stamp Borrowers Thwarted

At last we have what we want—a place to get our statoinery.

No more do we hear, "Have you a stamp?" or "Have you an envelope?" Those days are gone forever. In the lower hall, a few feet from the faculty mail boxes, there has been put into place a machine which supplies two sheets of writing paper and a stamped envelope. Five cents and a turn of the wrist is all that is necessary.

S. F. T. C. Student Plays Over Radio

Miss Emma Steinegger, prominent student of S. F. T. C., entertained the radio public last Thursday and Friday evenings with a group of piano solos.

Playing over KFWI Thursday night the pianist gave Chaminade's "Piece de la Style Ancienne," and "Staccato Etude" a composition by Miss Steinegger's father. Friday night broadcasting over KFRC, the musician played Chopin's "Waltz in G Flat" and Mozart's "Pastoral Variee."

Emile Steinegger, well known San Francisco music professor and composer, has given his daughter her entire musical training.

Miss Steinegger's playing so impressed Frank Moss, musical director of KFRC, that he has arranged for a number of engagements for the pianist.

When interviewed, Miss Steinegger said that there is very little difference in one's feelings when playing before the microphone, and playing in concert before an audience.

Miss Steinegger has a large private class of vocal and piano pupils.

Dr. Rypins Lectures On Zangwill

Dr. Stanley Rypins gave a recent lecture at Paul Elder's Gallery on "Intimate Glimpses of Israel Zangwill, the Great English Playwright and Novelist." Dr. Rypins appraised him as one of the most brilliant writers of modern times, and said that his recent death had been a great loss to the literary world. His best known play is the "Melting Pot," and his most famous novel, "Children of Ghetto."

Dr. Rypins was able to present a vivid description because he knew Zangwill personally, and had frequently been a visitor at his country home in England.

Specials To Dine

The transfer and special students of S. F. T. C., with Miss Crumpton as their sponsor, are going to assert their independence by giving an Italian dinner on October 14.

These students have always felt detached from the regular class organizations, and have therefore lost some of the spirit of the school. The idea is that, by banding together in some activity, they can remedy this.

Bernice Decker is in charge of arrangements for the dinner. She asks that all transfers and specials keep October 14 open. She will announce further details as soon as possible.

Former Faculty Member Here

Miss Sarah T. Barrows, former faculty member of this college, visited here last week, and brought with her a new book which she and Miss Anna B. Cardts have just published.

"The Teachers' Book of Phonetics" is its title.

At the time of her departure, about two years ago, Miss Barrows was head of the speech work in both training school and collegiate department. She is now head of the speech work at the University of Iowa.

One of our faculty members, Miss Talbert, has been requested to write a review of Miss Barrows' work for an educational magazine.

Faculty Reading Club Formed

The women of the faculty have formed a Reading Club, with Miss Kleinecke as the leader. The club, which consists of the Misses Moe, Carter, Ward, Bock, Pickard, Wilson, Vance, Holmes, Anderson and Mrs. Spozio, will have one meeting of the month at the school, and another meeting, which is to be followed by a dinner, at a downtown hotel.

The club plans to study the classics, and will begin with the reading and discussion of Goethe's Faust.

At last, at last! Hear ye, hear ye. Dr. Rypins, we are becoming "contemporaneously civilized." Proof you want? Ah, then:

Miss Farrell announces that more people took showers last week than at any time since the new gym has come into existence! Can there be sounder proof?

The fact that the gym instructors are demanding a clean towel per week per girl, may be a contributing cause to the sudden epidemic of cleanliness.

There seems to be a number of interesting questions brought up by this innovation. For instance, Miss Farrell would like someone to tell her why a girl weighing close to 400 pounds produces a towel with 2x4 dimensions, while the anaemic persons of but ninety pounds bring towels sufficiently large to drape the entire gym.

But even if Miss Farrell does think we are deficient in our sense of proportions, we're becoming civilized, and it isn't everyone who can do that. Dr. Rypins knows.

Student Body Holds Short Session

A short Student Body meeting on Thursday, September 23, opened with President Ida Hurliman in the chair, and with 51 students attending.

Student Body cards were voted upon. Any one with a S. F. T. C. student ticket will be admitted to any game, with the exception of Conference games and the Stan-Cal. battle, for about one-half the regular price of a seat.

An announcement was made to the effect that mail in post boxes had been mixed up as a result of careless handling.

S. F. T. C. can buy college belts, rings, etc., for the following prices:

College belts, 85c.

College rings, $10.50 and $8.50.

Attractive pins, $3.95 (with class numeral.)

Guild Books, $1.00 (dedicated to Frederick Burk.)

Class of '25 Holds Election

At the last meeting of the class of Aug. '25, the organization elected as its new secretary, Ursula Murphy. Ursula is a past president and an active member of the College Glee Club. She is also an active member of the Sienna Club. Judging from her past record, the class of August '25 has made a good choice.

Cecilia Kelly, also a member of the Glee and Sienna Clubs, was elected publicity manager.

The class, with its president, "Midge" Heaney, also decided upon two social affairs. They are to have a dinner at night and a weenie roast for an afternoon affair. The dates will be decided upon later.

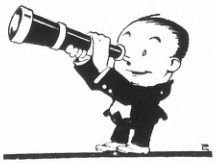
Play Staged in Assembly

"Midge" Heaney, who plays the part of Wattau in "The Shoes That Danced," a play given at Student Body meeting, September 30, was supported by a splendid cast:

Wattau.....“Midge” Heaney
Lancret.....Miss Wrenn
Courtin.....Louise Schnider
Columbine..Kathleen Sherman
Faustine.....Thelma De Field
Pierette.....“Pat” Schulz

It seems that Wattau, a French painter in the time of 1670, has the chance of becoming court painter. He is in love with Columbine, who in turn, by wiles and subtlety, is stealing his art for his talented pupil, Lancret.

Wattau has painted a pair of beautiful slippers which both the queen and Columbine want. Wattau ends by giving the slippers to Columbine, but, because he thinks she has failed to live up to what she was to him, Wattau condemns her to dance forever.



Here and There

At its meeting on Tuesday, September 28, the orchestra played a composition by its leader, Emma Nash, entitled, "I Want You." It is a piece following the order of the popular music.

Miss Schwartz, supervisor of the primary department of education of the Southern Branch of the University of California, was a recent visitor at our school.

The supply room for the children's playground is being repainted and remodeled, under the direction of Miss Clara Mott, who is taking great interest in the work, and plans to make it look like new.

This remodeling has not interfered with supplies being given out there for the pupils and for the physical education teachers.

The new Dramatic Club pins arrived Tuesday, much to the joy of the fifty members who are now displaying them.

This is the first club of this college to have pins. The pins are in two parts. The main part consists of a shield with the letters "C. T.," for College Theatre on it. Then there is a guard with "T. C." for Teachers College. The pin has a small pearl setting in the shield.

Miss Natalie Wooley deserves credit for her work in designing it.

The first candy sale of the term will be given by the Senior Advisors for the class of August 1926, Wednesday, October 6.

The receipts from the candy sale will be used for the Hallowe'en party. This party will be given to the Freshmen on October 22.

Due to the fact that so few girls were turning out for class meetings, the regular Wednesday Assembly was given over to the various class presidents to hold meetings in separate rooms.

The purpose of these conferences was to discuss the "School Sing" that will be held on October 21. Class presidents report that much progress was made, and that all the girls showed a lively interest.

The August '26 class had the honor of having the greatest number of members present.

Ten new swings and two merry-go-rounds have been installed on the playground of the kindergarten-primary terrace. The kiddies have started a little garden in which, according to the interest evidenced, high hopes are being planted, as well as many kinds of seeds.

Miss Mary Ward, while on a recent visit to the Chico Teachers College, was surprised to find that nearly every teacher who was teaching in the rural schools around Chico was the proud possessor of an automobile of some sort. Many of these teachers drove fifty or sixty miles to the convention and back every day.

A new member has been added to the Mathematics Faculty of the San Francisco State Teachers College. This personage is Mr. Carlos Mundt, who also is of the Science Department.

Now Mr. Boulware and Mr. Mundt went away together for last summer's vacation. Perhaps this explains why Mr. Boulware parted with one of his classes.

The new instructor is well qualified to teach this subject. He formerly taught mathematics at the Fresno State Teachers College.

A nine o'clock class in "setting up exercises" may be viewed through the window of Room One, by anyone roaming the halls at this hour.

The class, in reality, is a music class in which Choral Direction is being taught.

Although the girls think that the exercise is very strenuous, those taking it have now become reconciled; it takes the place of the old daily dozen.

The college now boasts of 840 students, of which 225 have just entered this term. From last year's graduating class, nine have returned in order to work for A. B. degrees.

Abandande, a Mexican composition, is the title of the piece played by the orchestra at its last meeting, on Tuesday, September 14. The orchestra, now enlarged by the addition of a number of new members, hopes for great success this term.

"My country for a roll," said Mr. Carlos Mundt, as he dashed madly into the Mallos Grill last Wednesday, pushing the other men of the faculty right and left in his haste.

The nine men on the faculty have a regular Wednesday luncheon. They leave the college in Mr. Ray's and Dr. Rypins' cars. This week the luncheon was held at the Mallos Grill.

Call Features College

It would seem that the Vigilante is not the only paper to give the San Francisco State Teachers College a "write-up."

Last week a representative of the San Francisco Call visited Miss Carter, principal of the training school, and asked to take a number of photographs of the various activities of the children.

Pictures of smiling children enjoying their outdoor training and studies in natural history were featured, in addition to scenes in the manual training, the kindergarten department, and the cafeteria.

Handball Tournament On

A handball elimination tournament for the training school children is going on this week.

The entrants are divided into two divisions—those weighing over one hundred pounds and those under.

Any two contestants may choose their own referee, who will keep score. This referee must give the returns to the director before leaving the school grounds.

The game is eleven points, but if there is a tie at ten points, twelve points will be a game.

The contests are being held on the second and third terraces between 3 and 4 o'clock.

Swimmers Getting Expert Instruction

Those who are out for W. A. A. Swimming are learning the strokes from the most advanced swimmers. The time at Sutro is divided into an instructional period and a play period. During the instructional period the strokes are demonstrated. B. Salter is teaching the crawl and breast strokes; L. Bronchini the crawl; A. Paulson the trudgeon, and W. Sarasin, who is manager of swimming, the side stroke.

The last half of the time is spent in games, relays, life saving, and diving practice.

Visitors are always welcome, and for those who wish to improve their swimming, a splendid opportunity is offered every Tuesday.

Tuesday, December 7, has been set for the W. A. A. swimming meet.

The mail box numbers are up again. The nine hundred names were arranged in alphabetical order by Miss Vance. After having them typed on slips of paper, she spent almost the whole of last Saturday assembling and pasting them to the big directory.

Noted Feature Writer Speaks Here

Finance Committee Meets

Extension Courses Enroll Many

Rebellion By China's Youth Explained

Library Decorations Nearly Completed

Chicago University Speaker Here

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Club Takes Up New Activities

The former Sewing Club has started the new term by changing its name to the "Home Economics Club," in order that it may broaden its program without seeming to be "traitors to the cause."

Two phases of the club's activities seem especially attractive to the majority of the members. One of these is the art of weaving baskets, and the other the production of crepe paper novelties. Members are allowed to choose their own field of endeavor.

At the first meeting it was agreed that refreshments should be served at each session. Two girls are appointed at each meeting to prepare these refreshments. The dues, 20 cents a month, provide the wherewithall for the repast.

Meetings are held every Tuesday from 3 to 4 o'clock in the sewing room. At times the club will adjourn to the cooking room to learn the intricacies of good candy making.

Miss Spelman is the faculty advisor. Assisting her are these officers: Miss Verna Thomsen, president; Hiss Helen Williams, vice-president, and Miss Lois Harding, secretary-treasurer.

Glee Club Splurges

Cookies, sandwiches, punch, chocolate cigars, music, dancing, cards, games, faculty men, girls, and sundry other things too numerous to mention, filled the Old Gym last Wednesday afternoon, when the old members of the Glee Club held their reception to incoming converts.

The faculty men were the guests of honor of the occasion.

Everybody, which included the faculty men, played cards for a while, and later danced and skipped for Levy. That is, when Miss Levy said "skip," one and all formed a circle and skipped about the room until the instructor of the Glee Club said "dance," at which command every person danced with the one nearest her.

And when Miss Levy called "refreshments," everybody rushed for a table to get a share of the abundant supply of sandwiches, cookies, and punch.

PERSONALS

Elizabeth Howard, one of our January '26 graduates, has accepted a position teaching a third grade in Vallejo.

Melva Levin has taken a kindergarten position at Bakersfield.

Edna Malloy is teaching in the San Francisco kindergarten.

Hazel Zuppettini is teaching in a rural school in Siskiyou county.

Anita Cooper, a Jauuary '26 graduate, is teaching school at Novato, Marin county.

Madelyn Woods is teaching in the San Francisco schools.

Everyone will be glad to learn where these recent graduates are teaching.

Elizabeth Rennie is teaching in the fourth grade in McCloud.

Lyndon Davis is also an instructor in the same school.

Gladys Maxwell is teaching in the Oakland schools.

Winifred Cox is teaching at the Kellogg School, Sonoma county.

Julia Geary, graduate of the kindergarten-primary department at the end of the summer session, has gone in as an assistant in the Berkeley schools.

Anna Meginness is teaching in Martinez.

Minta Pleasants is teaching in Kern county.

Lava Sughrue is supervisor in the city schools at Clarkdale, Arizona.

Margaret Schneider is teaching in Siskiyou county.

Paul Walters is teaching in Tuolumne county.

Viola Kocher is teaching the first grade at Yreka, the county seat of Siskiyou county.

Lois Foster is tutor for the little Menuhin girls, sisters of the remarkable boy violinist, Yehudi Menuhin.

Olive Wilcox is teaching in Mill Valley.

Lemmore seems to be a popular place to teach. It has claimed Iris Young of last year and Dolores Spence of this year. Lemmore is near Fresno.

Ada Hill, a kindergartener of the class of February 1923, is teaching in Martinez.

Grace Compton, of the class of August 1924, is teaching a first grade in Porterville.

Bay Point is now the home of May Tweitmoe. She is teaching there, and says she likes it just "fine and dandy."

Florence Clymo is teaching in Bangor, Butte county. She has four boys and ten girls. They are in all classes from the first to the seventh grade.

Pearl Hoke is teaching in West Butte, Sutter county, in a one-teacher school. She has seventeen pupils. There is at least one in every grade from the first to the eighth.

Florence Wiggins is teaching in Bieber, Lassen county. She writes and asks her friends at S. F. T. C. to drop her a "line" once in a while.

Gladys Owen, of the class of February 1924, is teaching Domestic Science in the Lincoln School at San Leandro.

Esther Funch, who graduated in June 1926, is teaching a primary grade in a Stockton school.

Florence McNeil has announced her engagement to Gene Hollister. He is quite a noted ball player.

Some new names added to the list of married students are: Mrs. MacWilliams, formerly Miss Jule Madge; Mrs. Dryden, who was the former Miss Evelyn Smith.

Marguerite Yothers, August 1924, was made Mrs. James Rannells Saturday, September 17. Mr. Rannells lives in Richmond.

Mrs. Esep, a former student at the college, gave birth to a daughter Saturday, September 17.

Chrystine Walker of the class of August 1924, now Mrs. Metzler, has settled down to the routine of married life. She and her husband have opened a store in Hopland and it is reported they are doing nicely.

Since her mother's severe illness, Susan Blackwell has been staying at her home in Nevada.

Because her family has moved south, Kathryn Rohrer, former secretary of the August '25 class, has transferred to San Jose Teachers College.

Ever since Mr. Ralph Anderson has taken Dr. Biddle's Physical Science II, he has been a changed man. Last week he appeared with a green necktie of bright emerald. We wonder why? Is it emulation, or what?

Former Chinese Student Visits Here

Mrs. Kiang, governmental kindergarten instructor at The Teachers' College for Women in Pekin, China, has been visiting our college and training school for the past week under the guidance of Miss Holmes and Miss Anderson. As one of the foremost educators of China, Mrs. Kiang, having heard of Dr. Burk's work here for many years, came to visit and take back what ideas she could. When she leaves here she will go East to Columbia University for a course.

Raised in the United States by English speaking parents, Mrs. Kiang is a graduate of the Montessori system of teaching. Her first kindergarten was at People's Place, which was at that time under the supervision of Madam Montessori. Here she did her first kindergarten work, trying out the Montessori methods.

After her marriage to a professor in the language department at the University of California, Mrs. Kiang went to Pekin, China, where she introduced new educational methods. Having tried the Montessori system for a number of years, she found many defects. She wrote to Madam Montessori about this, but received no reply. It was then that she decided to study Dr. Burk's methods.

As a great admirer of America and Americans, she has kept herself closely affiliated with our manners and methods. In China, she kept in close touch with the English and American colonies. She says that here in America it is so easy to get an education. She comes to our school and receives all that we can give in modern methods. In China it is a different story. Due to their old traditions, a modern idea hardly has a chance. New things are slow to spread in China. She makes a comparison of China and Japan. In Japan, it is different. Here they accept new thoughts, use them, spread them around, and progress. "But China; it is a great struggle there." Mrs. Kiang is, no doubt, many years ahead of her time, and as such, encounters the difficulties of an advanced thinker.

Besides being a noted educator, she is the mother of two children. Before she arrived in this country she had applied to Miss Grace Carter, principal of the training school, for admission for her children. It was granted, but upon her arrival here, she discovered that there were no Orientals in the school and, very wisely, it seems, she has taken the children to another school where they will be more socially adopted.

Mrs. Kiang will be in our school for a few more days. She is very charming in manner, as well as intellectual and foresighted, and has probably brought as much to us as we have given to her. She leaves for Columbia shortly, just as eager now for more learning as she was many years ago when she started as a student at People's Place.

W. A. A. Dinner At Fly Trap

The Fly Trap was the scene of the W. A. A. Executive Board Dinner that took place last Wednesday evening, September 29.

Those present discussed plans for a dinner to be open to the entire membership of the organization. It is understood that arrangements will be made to handle a large crowd at this affair.

The managers of the various sports told of the work being done in their lines, and of future plans.

Winona Sarasin, swimming manager, told of plans for Splash Day, and for Inter-Class Day. She also announced the names of the newly appointed class managers.

The tennis manager spoke of the number of girls out for tennis, and of the progress of the tournaments.

Ione Hart, manager of basketball, announced that the basketball schedule would soon be made public. She made a plea for more basketball material, saying that not enough students were coming out for practice.

Frances Bramhall reported that although few girls went on the last hike, those who did had an unusually good time. She promised more fun to all those who go with the hikers next Sunday on the Treasure Hunt.

Miss Hale, Miss Holtz, Miss Farrell, Eunice Armstrong, Myrtle Savage, Emma Hart, Augusta Higginson, Winona Sarasin, Frances Bramhall, Ethel Byrne, and Ione Hart are those who were in attendance.

Zaner Representative Here

The Pacific Coast representative of the Zaner method of writing, visited here last week on her return from Chico, where she attended the institute.

In visiting the class rooms, Miss Moffett expressed much interest in the manuscript writing method, which is being used in the receiving classes in the training school.

She reported that the Zaner Company has appointed Dr. Freeman, well known writing expert, to carry on investigations in the Chicago Schools, by means of control tests as to speed and quality in manuscript writing.

Miss Moffett expects to return in a short time and will make it a point to visit the penmanship classes in the collegiate department.

Miss Ward Speaks At Institue

Miss Mary A. Ward, dean of women here, was one of the instructors at an unusual type of teachers' institute, held at Chico recently.

This convention was something new in the line of teachers' institutes. It was held at the Chico State Teachers College, in conjunction with Plumas, Lassen, Sutter, Butte, Shasta, and Tehema Counties. The opening of the college at Chico was delayed one week, so that this new form of institute could be tried out. The plan was evolved by the faculty of the Chico institution, in conjunction with the various superintendents of the seven counties. Miss Ward and Miss Hamilton, who is a primary supervisor of the Fresno State Teachers College, were the only outside speakers at the convention. The rest of the instructors belonged to the regular faculty of the Chico college.

At the institute nearly 800 teachers went to school for one week. An intensive course of study was given, consisting of five morning lectures, five afternoon lectures, and four round table meetings of one hour and fifteen minutes each. There was a total of fifteen lectures. If the students of these classes did the work assigned, in connection with the prescribed reading, and took the examination, the Chico Teachers College gave one credit. Miss Ward had seventy-five in her section; fifty-two took advantage of the credit that was offered.

The curriculum offered consisted of fourteen subjects, some of which were: Primary reading, Kindergarten plays and games, Healthful living, Music, Art, Physical Education, School Administration, European History, Geography, Arithmetic, Pennmanship, and the like. The classes were held from 9 to 10:15, and from 2 to 3:15. During these periods each instructor endeavored to give as much practical help as possible, on the problems met by the teachers in their schoolrooms. Our Dean worked principally with the difficulties met in the teaching of primary arithmetic. Her method was to find the difficulties, and then show the remedial work needed. Some teachers were sent to the board; practice work was assigned; and general discussion followed. The teachers seemed to be working early and late for these courses. Each person selected one subject for study during this week.

Miss Ward aroused considerable interest through a talk on manuscript writing. She told of the new developments made along this line in the East; and also those taking place in our training school.